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Major cuts loom in wake of budget crisis

■ New figures, same problems. While cutbacks lessen, numbers still mandate massive slashing.

By Thea Gavin
el Don Staff Writer

SANTA ANA - An unexpected \$1.5 million funding windfall from the state will do little to alleviate RSC's '92-'93 budget crunch.

The additional money resulted from increased enrollment at RSC, and reduces the amount needed to be trimmed from the budget from \$7 million to \$5.8 million. This means major cutbacks are still necessary, according to Stephen Garcia, vice-chancellor for fiscal services.

"It's going to be very hard to make reductions," Garcia said. "We're at a bare minimum now. We're going to cut percentages by particular area, with our priorities being first of all to maintain full-time positions." Maintaining credit and non-credit instruction as well as student services are the other top priorities, Garcia said.

Even with the emphasis to make cuts that least affect the classroom, Garcia said that reductions in custodial staff or supplies will eventually affect the classroom.

"We're down to the wire as far as reductions," Garcia said. "We're really in a no-win situation."

No final budget cut recommendations will be made until next Wednesday, Garcia said, because plans were still being finalized for RSC's reorganization of its management structure.

Preliminary figures provided by Garcia show about a 12 percent cut in the business and fiscal services area, with maintenance of school vehicles and equipment particularly hard hit.

Bob Brown, maintenance and operations director, was vacationing and unavailable for comment, according to administrative secretary Marti Reiter.

While Reiter said no one else could give a

statement on any cutback specifics for campus services, she did mention concern in the maintenance department due to the budget cuts.

"We'll have to do our best. I don't think there will be any deterioration, but we'll see," Reiter said.

Carolyn Breeden, dean of learning resources, said she did not anticipate large decreases in the services offered by her department. "As a division we've decided to protect the students, and anything that touches the students we're going to protect. That means that we may have to cut some things behind the scenes, hoping that we'll do it in a way that won't impact students."

Petition to halt fee hike gains support

By Thea Gavin
el Don Staff Writer

SANTA ANA - Lambasting the idea as "hogwash", Joni Terpstra echoed the feelings of many other RSC students disturbed by reports of a proposed tuition increase of up to 1600 percent for some community college students.

Two bills being considered by the California State Assembly education committee would raise tuition from \$6 to \$100 per unit for community college students who have already completed either 90 units of instruction or an associate, bachelor's or graduate degree.

Marlene Dumas was so upset when she saw a recent el Don article detailing the proposed increase that she decided to do something about it. She wrote a petition protesting the tuition increase and organized students to gather signatures on campus for five days.

By May 7, over 700 students had signed Dumas's petition, and signature-gatherer Laura Salcido said it looked like the goal of 1000 signatures would be met.

"I know it won't affect me," Salcido said of the proposals by State Assembly Members Tom Haydn and Robert Campbell. Salcido has less than 60 units.

"But at the night classes, you've got a lot of people who are coming back to school, or they're changing their majors, or they've had a career and want to change it.

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Black student union raises funds for South Central riot victims

By Thea Gavin
el Don Staff Writer

SANTA ANA - In the aftermath of the Los Angeles riots last week, RSC students took action to provide relief to residents whose neighborhoods were devastated by the burning and looting.

"It started with one person," said Ricardo Foreman, minority affairs liaison for the Black Student Union at RSC.

"Denene White, another person in the BSU, said she wanted to go up there and take some groceries," Foreman said. The plan grew, and by Monday afternoon the students had collected \$300.

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Dances for Wolf...



INDIAN DANCERS - T.J. Ben Wolf looks on as Travis Zotigh performs a spirited dance at a recent Pow Wow held on the RSC campus. The Pow Wow was sponsored by the Native American Culture Club and featured members of the Kiowa and Ponca tribes. Dancers from the Kiowa, Caddo, Comanche, Cheyenne, Otoe-Missouria and Sooner Nations will be on hand to honor American Indian children during the next campus Pow Wow scheduled for May 30 at 12 p.m. For additional information please call 360-1025.

CHEATING: last in six part series

Rise in cheating angers honest RSC students

By Kim Nelson
el Don Staff Writer

Many RSC students are outraged by the increase of cheating on our campus and are seeking support from other students to take an ethical stand by getting involved and letting cheaters know it's not ok. And their message to the students who are cheating is -- "Knock it off!"

"I feel the situation is not being handled properly. It's running rampant in the classrooms and it's out of control," said Chris Locke, an RSC student.

Locke feels it is up to the students and their moral values to control this problem, not the faculty. "I work so hard and these people don't, and they're getting better grades [than I am]. It's immoral!"

"This is the same problem that caused the riot in L.A...everyone is taking care of themselves with no thought of others," she said.

Many of the students expressed a need for the school to get involved but, by educating not policing the students.

"The faculty should be teaching morals and values because it's evident their parents aren't teaching it at home to these kids. It should be a required course like Political Science, a general education course you are required to take," said Lesley Williams, a student.

Williams feels very strongly about this issue and believes it's "Despicable." She thinks cheating is a choice and "It's all about what you believe and what your moral val-

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College Wire

Former Celtic Convicted in Deaths

BOSTON-Former Boston Celtic Charles Smith was convicted of two counts of vehicular homicide and two counts of leaving the scene of an accident in the deaths of two Boston University students last year.

However, Smith was acquitted of manslaughter, a more serious charge, as a result of the March 22, 1991 accident.

In its verdict March 12, the jury found Smith guilty of vehicular homicide while operating to endanger, rather than vehicular homicide under the influence of alcohol, the original charge against him. He was sentenced to 4 1/2 years in jail.

Smith, 24, a former Georgetown University basketball standout and member of the 1988 Olympic basketball team, hit and killed Michelle Dartley, 20, and An Trinh, 21, on a busy street near the university.

U.S. Borrows Japanese Words

COLLEGE STATION, Tex. (CPS)-A linguist at Texas A&M University says that Americans have adopted 88 Japanese words into their vocabulary since World War II.

Dr. Garland Cannon, who has spent a decade studying the Japanese language, says his research refutes the idea that Japan has contributed few "loan words" to English.

Ancient Japanese words like *ninja*, *honcho*, and *nintendo* can be heard on every U.S. campus, often with meanings far removed from their original definition. Americans can also thank the Japanese for *mama-san*, *suiseki*, *ikebana* and *tsutsumu*, among others.

Cannon has identified nearly 800 Japanese "loan words" in English usage over the past four centuries and 88 that have been adopted since the war.

Athletes Take Finals At NCAA

CINCINNATI (CPS)-You'd think that a chance to win the NCAA basketball championship might be a valid excuse to postpone a final.

Think again.

As the Stanford Cardinal basketball team prepared for its opening round matchup against Alabama on March 19, students back home were in the midst of finals week.

So, armed with fax machines and taking advantage of overnight delivery services, some players spent their days studying textbooks instead of playbooks and were subsequently faxed their final exams, which they completed and faxed back.

This year's situation is nothing new for the team. At last year's National Invitation Tournament, team players took finals in Wisconsin and Carbondale, Ill.

Although Coach Mike Montgomery said most of his players don't get a lot of A's, he said the athletes were remarkably responsible in turning in papers on time and taking exams as scheduled whenever possible.

Adam Keefe, the team's leading scorer and rebounder, has managed to maintain a 3.0 grade point average as a political science major.

Computer Teams Get Top Honors

(CPS)-Thirty teams from colleges and universities in seven countries competed in an international programming contest March 4, with a group from Melbourne, Australia, taking top honors.

Other teams that placed in the contest sponsored by the Association for Computing Machinery were Michigan State University, Stanford University, Virginia Tech, the University of Florida, Harvard University and the University of Central Florida.

In the international competition, teams were given five hours to solve seven computer problems. They received points for solving as many problems as possible and writing computer programs that reflected their solutions.

Three Students On Spring Break Overcome By Carbon Monoxide Fumes

WEST PALM BEACH, Fla. (CPS)-Three college students on Spring Break remained in serious condition after being overcome by carbon monoxide in their motel room.

The carbon monoxide fumes apparently seeped from a nearby boiler into the room. The three students, all from Massachusetts, were discovered March 20 by a maid at the 200-room Holiday Inn-Airport.

Rescue workers initially thought they were badly sunburned or had overdosed on drugs because their skin had turned a deep red. When a police officer collapsed, rescue workers realized that students' color was the result of carbon monoxide poisoning.

All guests were evacuated from the motel, which will remain closed until authorities give the owners the go-ahead to reopen.

Students were listed in stable condition at Mercy Hospital in Miami. All are expected to recover.

Another day, another time...

Eric Campbell / el Don Photo

PROTEST MARCH FIZZLES - A poor turnout cancels a protest march May 6, disappointing students who had organized the event. They had planned a "March for Justice" from RSC to the courthouse to show their opposition to police brutality, racism, the capitalist system and sexism, according to a flyer.

Note This**Grads face tough job challenge in the '92 market**

(CPS) - Tapping the "hidden job market" with sharp resumes and on-target cover letters can get results in the toughest employment market, says a college career development director.

Gary Anderson, director of St. Olaf College's Career Development Center, said the hidden jobs are the ones that haven't been advertised yet, including positions that employers may not realize they need until observant applicants pursue them.

"In this economy, 40 percent of the jobs are found this way. Don't wait until an ad appears in the paper," he advised.

Anderson also said that "small is beautiful," and urged seniors not to aim solely at employment with a large corporation.

Resumes should emphasize versatility because the ability to perform varied tasks looks good to prospective employers and can lead to other employment opportunities, he said.

Anderson also said that internships are "the best way to find out about the world of work."

Job applicants should spend time researching the Corporate Fact Book to determine what work might be available at various businesses and industries, he said.

Despite their efforts, 1992 graduates may have an even tougher time finding employment than last year and may find themselves competing with 1991 graduates for the same jobs.

"The job market is not that good for this year's graduates. In fact, it's even been said that this year's market is worse than last year's," said Dawn Oberman, a spokeswoman for the College Placement Council.

The economy has been showing tentative signs of improvement, with a surge in construction spending and manufacturing orders, plus an increase in the money supply. However, economists

are puzzled that consumer confidence has continued to be low.

Employers also are not rushing to reverse downsizing that has occurred in the past two years. Some companies are finding that they can get along quite well with fewer employees, which is good for the companies, but bad for recent college graduates.

"Reemployment lags behind any economic recovery," Oberman said. "They're not in any hurry to bring people back on board."

Major employers also have cut back drastically on their recruiting and have become more selective in hiring, she said. That means colleges have been more accommodating to companies that are still recruiting on campuses. Meanwhile, graduating seniors are becoming more choosy about their first jobs and more aggressive in their job searches.

"They can't expect someone to come up to them and say, 'We want you on board,'" she said.

Some seniors are looking at other options - like graduate school.

"Because of the lack of jobs available, many of our students are going to grad school," said Betty Becker, engineering placement office supervisor at the University of Illinois. More than 300 engineering-related firms interviewed graduating seniors two years ago. This year, the number is less than 200, Becker told The Daily Illini.

Mike Nacrelli, a senior in engineering, told the student newspaper that he was on a waiting list to do graduate work at the university because twice as many students had applied for graduate school.

Oberman said job prospects differ, depending on the graduates' degrees, the location in the country and the employers.

But, according to the council's March 1992 salary survey, employers are maintaining starting salary offers at about the same level as last year.

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ues are," she said.

Teachers need to take a more active roll by walking around and letting the students feel their presence while taking tests. Williams thinks this will cut down on the cheating problem during testing. "The teachers need to become more aggressive handling this problem," she said.

A former RSC student, Joi Malcome, experienced, as she put it, "rampant cheating" in most of her classes. "In all my years at RSC, I saw a lot of cheating, but I never saw anyone reprimanded for it," she said.

According to Malcome, students who don't cheat should realize that by not telling on the cheater, they may lower their own grade because the cheater has altered the grading curve. "One of the major problems which keeps students from telling, is that the students aren't sure if it's better to be a snitch or a cheater," she said.

Another student who is fed up with cheating going on in the classrooms is Norma Coria, who believes "The teachers are not effective in the classroom. They may threaten the students, but I don't think they really enforce it. And I don't think they're living up to their word," she said.

"I don't think it's fair, and it makes me angry when I see people cheating. I think the problem is that we're losing all our principles and the guidelines aren't well defined. But when it comes down to it--it's a personal decision to cheat or not to cheat," she said.

This semester a few students, who wish to remain anonymous, experienced what they called a "very disturbing" cheating problem in one of their classrooms. "During mid-term, the teacher announced she was leaving the classroom to go to her car."

According to the students, "After the teacher left the room some students began blatantly cheating. They got out notes, opened books and began to exchange answers." A concerned student wrote a note to the teacher explaining the situ-

"What upset me the most is that the students who were cheating looked me straight in the eyes as if they didn't care that I saw what they were doing,"

ation.

Upon the teacher's return to the classroom, she read the note and "She held it up in front of the entire class and everyone made a big joke of the matter. And then, to make matters worse, she let the class grade each other's papers. I then witnessed some students erasing answers and putting in others," she said.

"What upset me the most is that the students who were cheating looked me straight in the eyes as if they didn't care that I saw what they were doing," she said.

This particular student dropped the class, she said, because "It's not worth it. I tried to do what was right by sending a note to the teacher. Not one other classmate who witnessed the cheating was willing to speak up. Instead, they mocked the situation."

"We don't believe in cheating and we do not condone it!" said Carter Doran vice-chancellor at RSC. Doran suggested that if students see this type of activity they should follow the proper channels. If nothing is done to correct the situation, the student should go to the head of the department and see the dean of students.

"I have been very sensitive to this problem and just the fact that the complaint is brought up protects the student if their worried about reprisal, because the eyes of the world are on them," he said. According to Doran, if the department doesn't know the problem exists, they can't take action to correct it.

If this problem is to decrease, more students must get involved. According to the Administration, they and many faculty members are more than willing to correct the problem if someone comes forward. For further information contact: David Dobos, dean of students at 564-6211; Carter Doran, vice-chancellor, at 564-6975 or contact the dean of the department in question.

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Possible \$100 per unit cost could force many to re-think educational goals

They have to go to a (community college) to start, and at \$100 a unit, people just aren't going to be able to afford that," Salcido said.

Fernando Guillen was another student who would not be immediately affected by the bills, but was still working to gather signatures. "I believe that (if the bills become law) many people won't be able to come to school, get a higher education, and fulfill their goals, so I'm trying to stop it."

RSC student Eric Kaufman, with close to 60 units, signed the petition because, "I don't think raising the tuition is going to solve any

problems. There's some people who can't afford it. I probably couldn't afford it. That's why I'm at community college, because I can't afford a four year university."

Joni Terpstra, an art major with almost 70 units, interrupted her college education to raise her family. She now attends Chapman University and RSC simultaneously, taking general education classes at RSC to reduce costs.

She called the idea of a 1600 percent tuition increase "hogwash" and said, "Why should I be discriminated against because of my age and the amount of education I have, compared to someone just coming out of high school?"

Salcido said that after the signatures are gathered, copies of the petition will be sent to the chancellor, board of trustees, and legislative representatives.

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"We went around to different faculty members and asked for donations," said RSC student Jevon Hunter.

"Response was good," Foreman said, "We used the money to purchase groceries."

Five students loaded an RSC van with the bounty and took it to L.A. radio station 92.3 FM "The Beat," which was spearheading a donation drive for South Central residents.

After making the delivery, the students visited many of the burnt-out areas. Foreman, a frequent visitor to L.A., said he "couldn't

believe" the changes in once-familiar neighborhoods. "Some of the stores that I shopped at, where I knew the owners personally, were just destroyed. There were troops out there, National Guard. It was horrid... it was real horrid."

Another collection is planned for [today], Foreman said. "We'll be going back on Saturday morning with another load of food, and to take a cleaning party and help clean up."

Students who wish to participate in Saturday's clean-up need to meet at the college, no later than 8 a.m.

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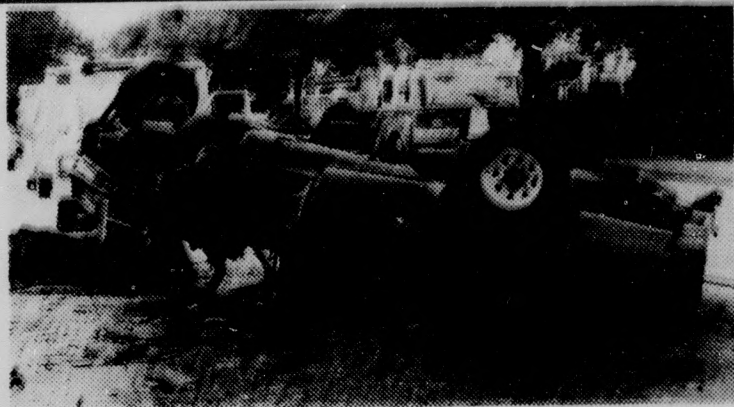
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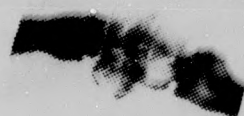


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Special Report

More firearms are being carried on college campuses nationwide as students arm themselves for protection from increasing violence.

Although no national statistics are available on the number of guns being carried, safety experts, campus security officials and students alike report an increase in the number of firearms seen on campus, despite the fact that colleges prohibit such weapons.

"I get numerous calls at the beginning of each semester from parents inquiring whether their children should take guns to campus," said Clarinda Raymond, co-director of the Campus Violence Prevention Center at Towson State University in Maryland.

In most of these cases, parents and students are reacting to widely reported campus shootings, murders and other crimes.

The 1990 murders in Gainesville, Fla., prompted greater concern for safety among students. A number of University of Florida students were reported to be carrying guns after five college students were found slain in their apartments.

Similar reports of students carrying guns, or of increased seizures of weapons, have surfaced on campuses from Ferris State University in Michigan to the University of Arizona and Indiana University.

Most recently, a student allegedly shot to death 14 times by a police officer at the University of Toledo and a series of shootings at Kent State University within the past few months have prompted some worried students to call in asking if they can carry weapons.

"One way that students see to protect themselves is with guns," said Bill Whitman, director of the Campus Safety and Security Institute in Thorndale, PA. "There's a lot more on campus than many people think."

* On April 23, a gunman killed a woman and seriously injured a man at an Indiana University's dormitory before turning the gun on himself. The shootings occurred on the 14th floor of a dormitory for graduate and international students. Police speculated that the shootings resulted from a lover's triangle.

* In November, 1991, a University of Iowa graduate student, upset because he didn't receive an award, went on a campus shooting spree that left six people dead, including the chairman of the physics department.

* Nineteen-year-old Tuskegee University student Kevin Gilmore was shot to death in February 1991 while walking home from a basketball game on the Alabama campus. Three students were later expelled for handling a firearm, although no arrests have been made.

J.J. Johnson, director of Tuskegee's public relations, said he believes the university is as safe as any other. "We feel very comfortable here that there is not an abundance of weapons on this campus."

One former Tuskegee student who asked not to be identified said she remembered male students carrying guns around the Alabama campus as late as 1991. "A lot of students carry guns because we have a lot of difficulty with

GUNS On CAMPUS

Students are arming to protect themselves

By Jeff Schnauffer
Special to el Don



students from other states, guys from New York, guys from Chicago. They were trying to protect themselves from each other," she said.

Gloria Gilmore, Kevin's mother, said she would never have sent her only child to Tuskegee from Detroit if she had heard anything about students carrying guns on campus.

"These are things you would never dream about asking. You're concerned about the normal, 'mother' things: meals, dorm rooms, etc. You're not concerned about crime on campus. I don't think they are going to tell you automatically anyway. I don't think they have the right facilities to cope with this," she said.

Tracking down all the guns on campus may be impossible under current circumstances at many universities. Without being able to search every dormitory room and car for firearms, campus security officials don't have any way to ascertain how many students possess guns, unless the students ask security officials to hold their weapons for them, as in the case of hunting rifles.

At many colleges, however, students are not perceived as the greatest threat when it comes to guns on campus. Campus police and safety experts said shootings on campus are more likely to occur when outsiders bring guns to campus or when they crash student

parties.

In August 1990, a campus police officer was accidentally shot and killed at the University of Arizona in Tucson when a group of non-students crashed a fraternity party and caused a fight.

When officers responded, one of the non-students pointed a gun at one of them. The officer fired and the bullet passed through the suspect and struck another officer, killing him instantly.

Experts say alcohol and firearms are a deadly combination.

"A lot of colleges are winking at underage drinking... Eighty to 90 percent of campus crime is related to drugs and alcohol," said Howard Clery, co-founder of Security on Campus, a non-profit, campus safety group in Pennsylvania.

Even if all postsecondary institutions cracked down on underage drinking, they would still need to screen outsiders for guns. At many universities, that task is one step short of monumental.

At the University of California at Los Angeles, 65,000 students, faculty and visitors flow daily through nine entrances. Security checks would involve stopping all cars to see who might be carrying weapons and would back up traffic for blocks.

"You have to keep things open to the public, and yet you want the undesirables out. In a major metropolitan city,

it is not easy at all. But you can't have an armed concentration camp," said UCLA University Police Chief John Barber.

But keeping guns off campus is no picnic for smaller, rural colleges, either. Although Barber estimated that UCLA security officials seized about 35 guns last year, primarily from non-students near off-campus housing, they have only had two on-campus shootings in the past two years, neither of which proved to be fatal.

By contrast, Tuskegee University, with less than 4,000 students, has had two fatal shootings in that same time frame, including Kevin Gilmore.

Although each campus security force is different in size, budget, and area to patrol, there are steps that each college and university can take to reduce the risk of shootings on campus. Some universities are focusing on deterrents.

Since Gilmore's death, Tuskegee University has begun using metal detectors at some campus events and has established security checkpoints on campus, although Johnson insisted it was not done in reaction to the student's death.

Following the officer's death at the University of Arizona, fraternities hosting parties must now hire off-duty police officers to deter party-crashers, as well as check the identification of partygoers.

Other universities are implementing stiffer penalties for those caught with guns on campus. In some states, students may be expelled for harboring a firearm on campus. In California, it is a felony. "They get expelled, and they also go to jail," Barber said.

Some campus safety advocates are concerned that these measures are not enough. They suggest reducing the number of entrances at some campuses, arming all campus police forces, giving them the power to make arrests and providing security guards at dormitory front desks 24 hours a day.

Connie Clery, Howard's wife and co-founder of Security on Campus, is one who believes students must be protected at all costs, even if it violates their right to privacy. The Clery's only daughter was raped, strangled and tortured to death in her dorm room by a student she did not know at Lehigh University in Bethlehem, Pa., in 1986.

Since then, the Clerys have spearheaded the federal Crime Awareness and Campus Security Act, which requires all postsecondary institutions receiving federal funding to report crime statistics, beginning Sept. 1.

"I think (campus shootings) have really gotten out of hand. If things don't quiet down, I would have (gun) inspections of the rooms. Human lives are at stake," Connie said.

In the meantime, many campus safety advocates hope students will not take the responsibility of arming themselves for protection. Instead, they encourage students to urge their campus security force to enact stronger safety measures to restrict guns and prevent shootings on campus.

"Since 80 percent of campus violence is student against students, it's not a good idea to have an armed campus," Raymond said.



TOP SECRET-The Stealth Fighter was under heavy guard as it drew a big crowd returning as one of the heroes of Desert Storm.



AIRBORNE-The Army's special parachuting team, the Golden Knights, opened the show dropping onto the airfield.



TOPSY-TURVY-Two members of the Red Baron Squadron perform a dangerous maneuver as they pass each other with one plane inverted.

The Wild Blue

Text & Photos By Eric S. Campbell

A record one day attendance of 670,000 people jammed onto the airfield at the El Toro Marine Corps Air Station Sunday to watch the largest air show in Orange County.

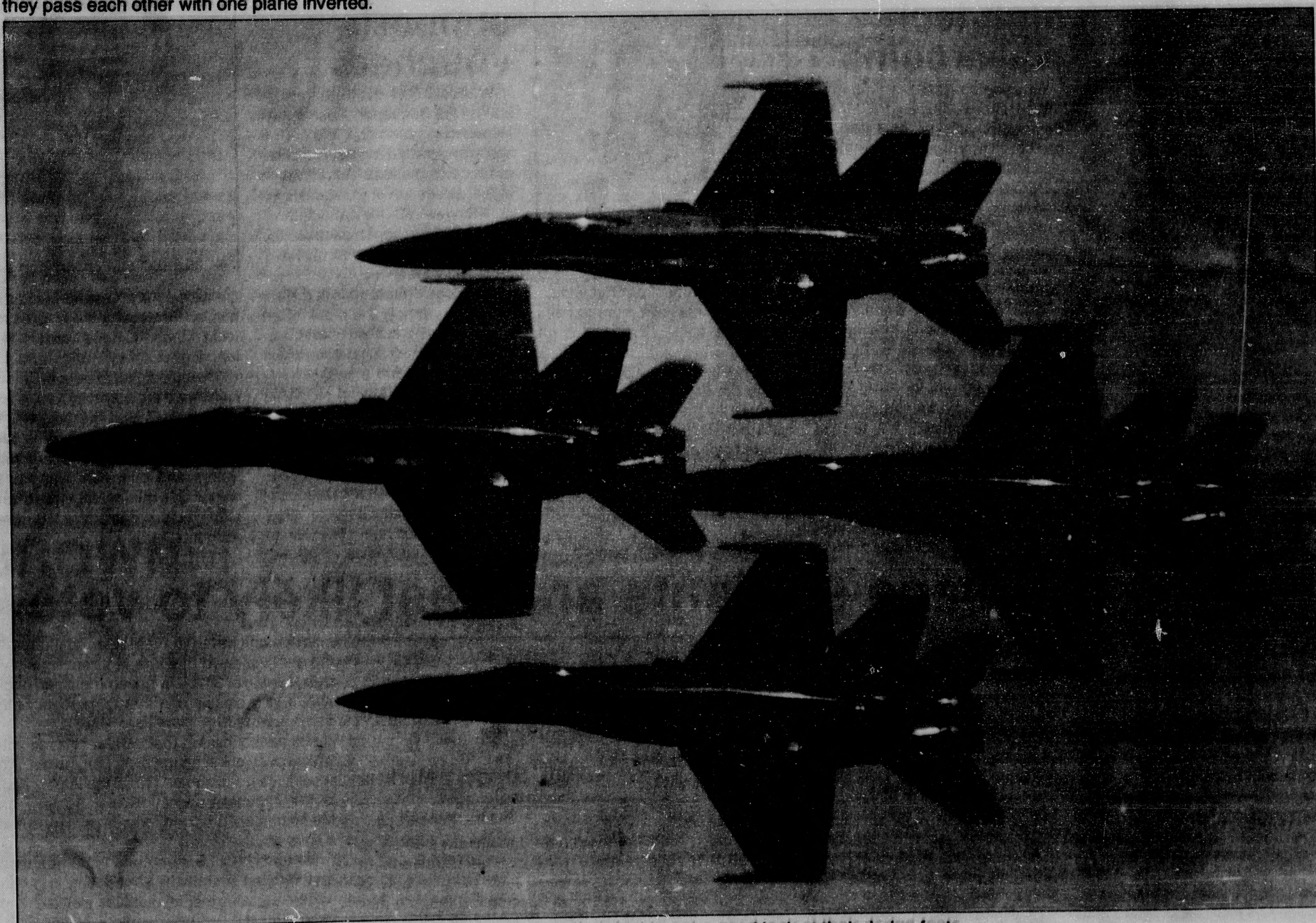
The crowd wasn't disappointed as they watched daredevils and thrillseekers perform all day.

The morning hours gave spectators an opportunity to view the various types of military and civilian aircraft lining the taxiways of the airfield, along with armored ground vehicles from the Marines.

The show started at noon with various acts to thrill the crowd while they waited in anticipation for the main act.

A resounding roar signaled the start of the day's finale as the Blue Angels fired up their engines.

The Navy's precision flying team amazed everyone as they rolled and twirled, coming within feet of hitting each other.



BLUE ANGELS-The main attraction of the day brought everyone to their feet to get a good look at their daring feats.

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— Helen Gahagan Douglas, as quoted by Lee Israel in *Ms.*, October 1973.

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Primary '92

■ The voting turnout rate in California for 1990 was 34 percent of the voting age population.

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USSA: College students' voice on Capitol Hill

By Jeff Goldfarb

CPS Washington Correspondent
WASHINGTON (CPS) - With all the money and influential power floating around Washington, D.C., it's hard to imagine college students could have any lobbying power in the nation's capital.

But the United States Student Association, from an office tucked nearly in a building on 15th Street, raises the voice of college students every day as it works to persuade Congress to improve higher education policies.

USSA claims to represent more than 3.5 million students as the oldest (since 1947), largest student organization in Washington. While USSA focuses most of its time on financial aid issues, it has also fought discrimination policies, political correctness and rising health-care costs.

The student lobbyists encourage letter-writing campaigns, visit congressional offices, testify at committee hearings, make telephone calls - anything to get the eyes and ears of the nation's lawmakers.

USSA takes the attitude that "you should ask for a lot. You never know what you'll get," said Selena Dong, USSA's legislative director.

Though the House and Senate versions of the reauthorization increased the amount of dollars being given and the number of students eligible for Pell Grants, the USSA lost its battle for entitlement.

Pell Grants would receive automatic funding as an entitlement, thereby avoiding the annual appropriations process that often leaves programs short of authorized funding levels.

Even though entitlement has not come yet for student aid, USSA has succeeded in educating lawmakers about the plight of students who are trying to afford a college education. After a March 1991 joint House and Senate education subcommittee meeting, Sen. Paul Simon (D-Ill.) told the *Chronicle of Higher Education* that he had become aware of the students' financial problems.

"We literally have one testifying who has had to give blood to stay in college," Simon said. "Something's wrong with the system when you have to do that."

"Students still don't get the respect they deserve in politics," said Tajel Shah, USSA president and a recent Rutgers University graduate.

But because nearly 75 percent of those 18 - 25 year-olds don't vote, education issues sometimes slide to the back burner.

Most of USSA's \$300,000 budget comes from membership dues from 350 institutions. The organization has 10 paid staff members, Shah said.

The USSA agenda called for more money on practically all student aid packages. The numbers are about 50 percent higher than what Bush requested in his budget.

Presidential candidates on education issues

Profiles by Jeff Goldfarb
Special to el Don

Clinton calls for domestic GI Bill

WASHINGTON (CPS) - The core of Arkansas Gov. Bill Clinton's higher education platform mandates that loans to college students be paid back as either a percentage of their income over time or through voluntary national public service.

In addition, Clinton wants to establish a trust fund from which any American can borrow money for a college education - a program he labels a domestic GI Bill.

To fund the additional aid, Clinton proposes reallocating the budget and pledging more money to education.

"Today only 9 percent of the budget is directed to investing in our future - education and training, child health, environmental technologies, research and infrastructure. We need to double that share and pay for it by converting resources no



longer needed for defense," Clinton said in a United States Student Association survey.

As governor, Clinton increased funding for higher education institutions in Arkansas by 77.7 percent since 1983. He established a college bond program in 1991 to help parents finance their children's higher education. Under the plan, parents and others can buy short or long-term tax-exempt "college bonds."

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Bush pledges to build aid programs

WASHINGTON (CPS) - It has been four years since George Bush claimed that he was going to be the "education president." Though his record since 1988 has been criticized, President Bush has pledged to build financial aid programs and fight political correctness on college campuses if elected this year.

Bush's budget proposal for next year includes a \$6.6 billion request for Pell Grants, a 22 percent increase from 1992. Though the president has claimed to oppose entitlements, he said his proposed Pell Grant allocation provides enough funding for a maximum grant of \$3,700, a figure \$1,300 higher than this year.

Also, in Bush's budget proposal, loan limits on guaranteed student loans are increased, the interest on student loans becomes deductible



for federal income tax and no-penalty withdrawals from Individual Retirement Accounts when funds are used for education become permissible. He also supports raising the ceiling for Pell Grants to families making up to \$50,000 a year.

Bush does not support direct loan proposals. He has said reauthorizing current student loan programs is better than trying to revamp the system with direct loans and has

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Brown wants high tech classrooms

Washington (CPS) - Edmund G. "Jerry" Brown, Jr., claims he accomplished a great deal with regard to higher education while he was governor of California.

During his administration, which started in 1972, Brown nearly doubled the funding for state universities and community colleges, and tripled money devoted to equal opportunity programs.

"I called for higher standards in high school, requiring three years of math and two years of science for graduates, with even more stringent requirements for the college bound," he said in a statement from his campaign office. "This led the California State and University systems to raise entrance requirements in math."

Now that he is running for the Democratic presidential nomination, the former governor vowed to abol-



ish the Department of Education.

"It is a massive bureaucratic waste," he said. "It educates no student."

Brown says that savings from eliminating the department "should be returned to the states to improve classroom instruction."

Brown also says federal grants to college students are better than loans. "What we're seeing is an almost invisible disease that is turn-

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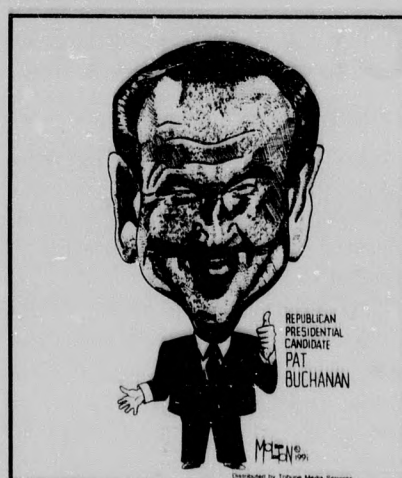
Buchanan supports vouchers

WASHINGTON (CPS) Campaign staff for Pat Buchanan, Bush's chief Republican opposition, did not respond to repeated requests for background information on his views on higher education or to requests for an interview with the candidate.

However, Buchanan released the following statement about his views on public education:

"American education is in a state of decline, largely the result of an ever increasing education bureaucracy, and a lack of competition within the system. From affirmative action to hiring, to busing for racial balance and assaults on uniform, standard testing, too much ideologically motivated experimentation has been inflicted on public schools.

"To revitalize American education, we need vouchers to allow parents to send their children to schools of their choice. This will



create market pressures on education at the local level to produce what students need most - real learning.

"In addition, local education officials need the authority to hire and fire teachers and the flexibility to respond to parental concerns over the curricula. Teachers, administrators and principals who fail to deliver the quality demanded and expected parents must be held accountable."

College students are least likely to vote

(CPS) - A survey shows that college-age voters are the least likely to vote, but have the highest expectations of government.

Gregory Markus, a political science professor at the University of Michigan and a research scientist at the school's Institute for Social Research, bases that finding on a 1990 study the institute conducted on U.S. political attitudes.

The 1990 National Election studies, one of the most comprehensive surveys on political beliefs in the country, noted that only 44 percent of people aged 18 to 24 were registered to vote and fewer than one in five reported voting in the November 1990 elections.

Only one in eight reported following news about government and public affairs "very closely" and 45 percent of the 18 to 24-year olds said they "never" discuss politics with friends or fam-

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—Prof. Gregory Markus

ily.

"Many of them regard themselves solely as the clientele of government, unencumbered by any 'romantic' notions such as civic duty or social obligation," Markus concluded. "In their conception of citizen as 'customer,' citizenship comprises obeying laws and paying taxes, period. In return, government provides services demanded by the 'customer.'

When compared to their older counterparts, the study showed that one in three Americans over the age of 34 follow government and public affairs very closely and that 79 percent of the same group are registered to vote.

Markus concluded that, "Older citizens vote, while young ones, for the most part, do not. The results are predictable. Two of the largest items in the national budget - Social Security and Medicare - are programs whose primary beneficiaries are the elderly."

He adds, "To be sure, there is no guarantee that if young Americans start voting in greater numbers governmental priorities would change overnight. It is a virtual certainty, however, that unless the young take a more active role in determining who gets what, they will only get what's left."

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Vote yes on Prop. 153

College students have a special stake in the June 2 balloting.

Passage of proposition 153, the Higher Education Facilities Bond Act of 1992, could mean important improvements for RSC and other state universities and community colleges.

Money from Prop. 153 would be used to remove architectural barriers from the Santa Ana campus, bringing it into compliance with state and federal regulations. Prop. 153 funds would also be used build a new business-computer facility.

Both Proposition 153 and Proposition 152, which would raise money for public schools, deserve our support. Don't forget to vote.

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expressed consistent support for broadening the guaranteed student loan programs.

Bush told *The Chronicle of Higher Education* that he thinks that students with good grades should get larger grants. His proposed "Presidential Achievement Scholarship" would offer \$500 to Pell Grant recipients who maintained good grades in high school and college.

"Common sense tells us that tying performance to reward is an effective way to motivate our children to strive for higher achievement," he said.

President Bush has said he opposes giving federal financial aid in return for community service. He claims such a tool would "preclude" some students from receiving aid if

they could not perform such service.

With regard to political correctness issues, Bush says he adamantly opposes the movement. "On too many campuses, an atmosphere of real intolerance for dissenting or unfashionable political opinions has developed," he said in a White House release, citing speech codes, one-sided curriculum requirements and limited guest lectures as part of the problem.

He expanded on his concern about PC in *The Chronicle*: "It's ironic that at the same time the rest of the world is throwing open its doors - and universities - to democratic values, some U.S. students are being prevented from sampling the wares of a free and open marketplace of ideas."

"Intending to correct past injustices, political correctness all too often has the effect of replacing old prejudices with new ones."

ve, he also said he advocated affirmative action so that "every young American will have access to a college education, no matter what their background."

Clinton said he agreed with resolutions pending in both the House and Senate that would ask President Bush to rescind Department of Defense policy prohibiting lesbians, gays and bisexuals from military service.

Clinton said he supports more accurate national testing standards "that will help us measure the achievements of our students and tell us in what areas we need to make greater efforts," according to the *Chronicle's* questionnaire.

"However, no student in good standing should be denied access to college, and grades should not be the basis for providing student aid. As President, I will introduce legislation to provide access to college for anyone who desires a college education," he said.

grants, Brown told UUSA, he would "institute a flat tax and amnesty, cut government spending and shift funds, including substantial funds currently budgeted for the military, to education."

Brown says he supports House Resolution 271 and Senate Resolution 236, which ask the president to rescind the Department of Defense policy barring lesbians, gays and bisexuals from military service. Because students frequently use the military to pay for college, the issue has come to the forefront on campuses nationwide.

Brown advocates the introduction of sophisticated technology into the classroom. "There ought to be a computer on every student's desk in America," he says.

Congressional candidates

U.S. Senate —Six Year Term

DEMOCRATS

Barbara Boxer
Congresswoman
Mel Levine
U.S. Congressman
Leo McCarthy
Lt. Governor of California
Charles Greene
Member, senior legislature

REPUBLICANS

Alexander Swift Eagle Justice
Educator/gem cutter
Tom Campbell
Congressman, educator, economist
Isaac Park Yonker
Farmer/rancher
Bruce Herschensohn
Television commentator/educator
John M. Brown
Salesman
Sonny Bono
Mayor/businessman
John W. Spring
Consultant/college instructor



U.S. Senate— Four Year Term

REPUBLICANS

John Seymour
Appointed U.S. Senator
Jim Trinity
Dentist/businessman
William B. "Bill" Allen
Member of Congress, 39th District

DEMOCRATS

Gray Davis
Controller of California
David Kearns
Computer software designer
Dianne Feinstein
Joseph Alioto
Attorney

U.S. House —46th District

REPUBLICANS

Robert K. Dornan
U.S. Congressman
Judith M. Ryan
Arbiter, Judicial Arbitration Service

DEMOCRATS

Nazeer Ahmed
Aerospace engineer
Robert John Banuelos
Santa Ana community services representative
Norman Z. Eckenrode
Owner, Pizza franchise
Jeff LeTourneau
Administrator with Hotel Employees and Restaurant Employees Union
Ricardo A. Nicol III
Trial lawyer, captain in National Guard

Students catching campaign fever

By Karen Neustadt
Special to *el Don*

(CPS) - Hordes of college students in vans, buses and cars have made their way to new political adventures in the 1992 presidential race.

Primaries await the army of indefatigable loyalists who will work telephones, ring doorbells and hand out leaflets to support their candidates of choice in 1992.

Democrats claim that this year's election attracted the largest corp of college volunteers in more than a decade. The outpouring of student interest has convinced the candidates there is a real advantage in exploiting the energy of students. Few candidates can afford high-priced staff members, so the students provide much needed - and cheap - labor.

College students slept on floors, mainlined pizza and endured numb fingers in colder states as they stumped for their candidates. The students stay in gyms, churches, supporter's homes, or in a pinch, on the headquarter's office floor. They lick stamps, stuff envelopes, carry banners, canvass votes door-to-door, answer phones or follow their candidate around and chant his name on cue.

For Jessica Plante of Slave Regina University in Newport, R.I., working for Sen. Bob Kerrey started out as a lark and ended up as an avocation.

The creative writing major started out as a headquarters receptionist for a weekend; soon she was a permanent staffer traveling with the campaign.

"This is a good way to learn about behind-the-scenes stuff," Plante said. "It makes you politically aware. It's always in your mind."

Plante, who stayed in a supporter's home in New Hampshire, said she had "hardly any interest" in politics before becoming involved in Kerrey's campaign. "In my age group, there are other things to do. It's boring to sit back and figure out who's running, and so forth. Volunteering, you get it all first hand."

College and university officials have been surprised by the student interest in this year's election, in view of the general voter malaise.

Some students have responded to a movement powered by Rock the Vote, a national, non-profit organization founded by the recording industry. Organizers swarmed across New Hampshire and Maine campuses, and claimed to register 10,000 young voters.

At the Kennedy School of Government at Harvard last fall, Kerrey and Arkansas Gov. Bill Clinton attracted crowds of nearly 1,000 each. After the speeches, approximately 100 students signed up to work with each candidate. (Kerrey has since dropped out of the race.)

During the early primaries, most of the student



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CAMPAIGN TRAIL- Candidate Bill Clinton is surrounded by young placard carrying supporters.

activity was in Democratic campaigns. Clinton attracted substantial numbers of younger supporters.

Political experts, however, have a "wait and see" attitude regarding the "youth vote." Only 36 percent of eligible citizens, aged 18 to 24, showed up for the last presidential election. Their turnout rate has dropped in each election since the voting age was lowered in 1971.

Like the Democrats, Republicans are claiming that student interest in their party is at an all-time high in 1992.

Steve Satran, 26, executive director of the College Republican National Committee, reports that student interest in his organization has grown dramatically over the past decade.

"We are the largest youth-based and the oldest political party organization for young people. This year we celebrate our 100th anniversary."

Satran, a graduate of Marquette University, says that Bush-Quayle student supporters are in good spirits and confident of re-election.

"College kids are concerned about jobs," Satran said. "I believe they are putting the blame for the recession on a Democratically controlled Congress."

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Since Clinton took office, the percent of Arkansas' graduating high school students who attend in-state universities has risen from 38.2 percent to 51.3 percent.

The Arkansas Challenge Scholarship Program, implemented last year, allows any student who meets middle and lower-middle income guidelines to have part of their tuition paid by the state at any college or university in the state.

The student must maintain a "C" average, stay off drugs and score a 19 or above on the ACT.

Clinton said in a *Chronicle of Higher Education* survey that he wants to simplify the student-aid program "by eliminating banks from the process and making direct loans to students through their colleges and trade schools."

According to the *Chronicle* sur-

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ing students into long-term, almost life-long debtors," he says.

Brown told the U. S. Student Association that he supported raising the maximum Pell Grant to \$4,500 and expanding eligibility for Pell Grants to students from families with incomes between \$30,000 and \$50,000.

"As a nation we ought to make the commitment that anyone who can make the grade and fulfill the academic requirements ought to get financial assistance to attend," he said.

To generate funds for increased

STAFF EDITORIALS

Contempt for law contagious

The videotape that shocked the world did not faze the Ventura County jurors.

It is hard—nay, impossible—to imagine what the jury would have found to be convincing evidence, if the videotape, buttressed with eye-witness and expert testimony, was not sufficient; or what it would have regarded as excessive force, if the assault of Rodney King was not regarded as excessive.

Lawyers for the L.A. cops that beat King said that the issue was anarchy vs. civilization. And so it was, although not in the way they intended.

As the late Supreme Court Justice Louis Brandies once observed, "Our government is the potent, the omnipresent teacher. For good or ill, it teaches the whole people by its example. Crime is contagious. If the government becomes a law-breaker, it breeds contempt for the law; it invites every man to become a law unto himself; it invites anarchy."

The jurors did not declare open season on young black males. They merely confirmed it.

Police lawlessness, however, is not confined to L.A., or even southern California. Nor are all its victims black. Poor people regardless of race or ethnicity and members of racial and ethnic minorities regardless of financial circumstances seem everywhere to be the special targets of cops who either don't understand or don't support the Constitution they have sworn to defend.

Perhaps the Ventura jury saw the issue as "us" vs. "them." But those of us who are middle class whites should not be comforted by the thought that we are unlikely to be victims of police brutality. As Abraham Lincoln said, "Those who deny freedom to others deserve it not for themselves, and, under a just God, cannot long retain it."

We should all heed the warning implicit in these words of Pastor Martin Niemöller: "In Germany, they [the Nazis] came first for the Communists, and I didn't speak up because I wasn't a Communist. Then they came for the Jews, and I didn't speak up because I wasn't a Jew. Then they came for the trade unionists, and I didn't speak up because I was a Protestant. Then they came for me, and by that time no one was left to speak up."

We can't return to 'normalcy'

One young lady with a broom and a shovel summed it up: "First we need to clean up the mess caused by the fires, then we need to clean up the mess that caused the fires."

We cannot simply return to the *status quo ante*, "the way things were."

The peace, prosperity and security of all of us is in jeopardy as long as significant numbers of American citizens see themselves as having no stake in our society, as having nothing to lose.

As Edmund Burke, the 18th century British statesman, once said, "The use of force alone is but temporary. It may subdue for a moment; but it does not remove the necessity of subduing again; and a nation is not governed, which is perpetually to be conquered."

It will cost billions of dollars to rebuild our cities, but, in the long run it would cost more not to. To quote Burke again, "mere parsimony is not economy. . . . Expense, and great expense, may be an essential part of true economy."

But, unfortunately, more than the mere physical renewal of urban America is needed. Greed, hatred and indifference must be replaced with generosity, love and compassion. And no amount of money can buy them.



Kari Salo

Riots caused by poverty, racism

■ Deep-rooted anger, slowly building up, was bound to explode sometime

OVER A YEAR AGO, we saw a videotape of police officers beating a black man, Rodney King. It appalled and shocked us all.

Late Wednesday afternoon, April 30, we heard the verdict of not guilty on 10 of 11 counts (with a deadlock on the 11th) of using excessive force against Rodney King and related charges—a verdict that stunned us all.

But what amazed the world even more was what unfolded in the hours and days that followed the announcement of the verdict. No one could have predicted the display of anger and frustration that was to follow.

At first everyone concluded that what was happening was a reaction to the not guilty verdict. But, as the night progressed, it was obvious that what we were seeing wasn't just about Rodney King. It wasn't solely a case about whites vs. blacks. What we watched on our television sets, was an outward display of deep-rooted anger that has slowly been building, just waiting for a reason to explode.

We watched the city of Los Angeles come under siege by its own people. We saw innocent people being beaten, shot and killed. We witnessed buildings being looted, destroyed and burned. Firemen were being shot and attacked while trying to prevent

Kim Nelson

Academic fraud, empty degrees

■ College students cheat themselves when they wink at other's dishonesty

TO WRITE ABOUT CHEATING in the wake of the Los Angeles riot—after seeing the senseless torching of property, the vandalism, the looting of businesses, the beatings and random shootings of innocent bystanders—seems a bit light weight and unimportant. After all, cheating really isn't harming anyone else—at least that's what a lot of people seem to think.

There had to have been some of that deviant behavior prevalent before it ran amuck which led to the philosophy, "everyone's doing it, so why not me?"

The philosophy that fed the mob in L.A. is much like that of cheaters. Cheating is stealing; students who cheat are stealing from other students to get a grade without putting in the effort.

Cheating will effect you by lowering the standard of an education. Moreover, condoning any type of deviant behavior sends the message that more socially excepted dishonesty will be tolerated.

Do we wait until the school is forced to crack down like the National Guard being sent to L.A.? Then everyone will be complaining about all the inconveniences, added work load and loss of freedom.

We as students are the future of this country. Yes, right now there are many parts of this country that are corrupt. But does that mean that we should succumb to the lack of values our society has? Each of us individually can make a difference. If we don't like where we are headed, we can make significant changes to turn it around.

If you think cheating doesn't effect you—well, someday it may. Suppose one day your life is in the hands of an incompetent medical practitioner who cheated to get through college. Or suppose you

find yourself in the middle of a riot with people who have not learned self worth, ethics and values.

Maybe you're thinking about transferring to a four year college. You apply for a scholarship. The requirements to receive a scholarship at RSC are grade point average and current enrollment. There is no review of citizenship or scholastic reprimands such as cheating. Students are earning higher grades by cheating and receiving scholarships. So you could just be cheating yourself out of receiving a scholarship by condoning this activity.

What needs to change is our attitudes and our value system. We all need to stop passing the buck to the faculty and the administration. This is our problem and we are the only one's who can solve it. We need to start asking ourselves what kind of a society do we want to live in and what the value of a degree will be if it's just a piece of paper and not a valid representation of the knowledge gained.

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WORTH KNOWING

The Cosby Show, now in syndication, makes an average profit of \$2.4 million per episode. The series will gross \$472.8 million in 1992.

SOME OF LIFE'S LITTLE

DIVERSIONS

WORTH REPEATING

"Trouble is, them that makes the biggest messes also pass the laws." — Hoss Cartright (Dan Blocker) to a local sheriff on the TV western *Bonanza*.

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Riots and TV

By F. Colin Kingston
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The shocking events of recent days once again proved that television is the medium people turn to in times of crisis. All local VHF stations in Southern California provided extensive (some say too extensive) live coverage of the tragic events as they unfolded in Simi Valley and Los Angeles County.

There are some images I will never forget. One is the face of a black minister shedding a single tear as the not guilty verdict was announced. (that too, was live on television). For me, that single tear dramatizes the sorrow and anger felt about the verdict better than any essay or political speech ever could.

Other images were equally as horrifying to me as the beating endured by Rodney King. Who will ever forget the two men pulled from their vehicles and savagely beaten? One is near death.

Equally compelling was the sight of four strangers rescuing a beating victim and driving him to the hospital.

As I watched the television coverage I had the strange feeling that I was watching a Chuck Norris movie. I kept hoping the movie would end or that I would wake up.

I still can't believe these events took place less than an hour's drive from my home, but they were. (Eventually some rioting would take place less than 10 minutes from my home). Los Angeles began to resemble Beirut.

Television stations literally paid a high price for staying on the air without commercials. It is estimated they will lose at least \$10 million in ad revenue. A small price to pay considering what happened but a great one when compared with the fact that television is often accused of caring only about the bottom dollar.

KABC-TV finished first in the ratings battle, followed by KNBC-TV in second and KCBS-TV in third. Ironically, Fox Channel 11, which broadcast the entire Rodney King Trial live, finished last in the ratings.

After the madness began to subside television stations seemed to be falling all over themselves to find good stories to tell. They focused on stories of people of all colors helping others to safety, people fighting fires, people trying to clean up the streets, etc.

It won't happen, but it would be great if television stations continued to show positive stories about communities such as East L.A. and South Central long after the shock of these riots begins to wear down. Positive things happen in those communities every day but you would never know it from watching television.

While I'm on my soap box, it would also be nice to see an intelligent drama focusing on non-white families. You can count the number of such regular series which have appeared on television over the years on one hand and not use all fingers.

Student art show passes the test

■ Exhibit on main RSC campus offers something for everyone

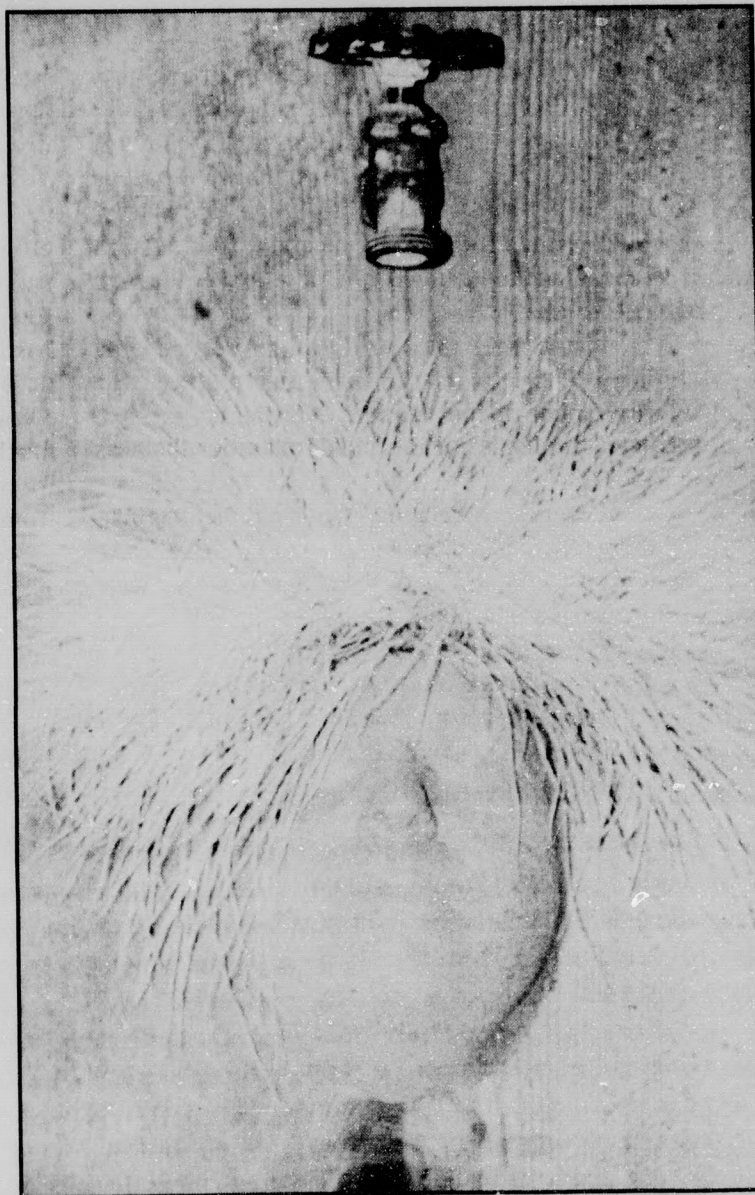
By F. Colin Kingston
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FINE ARTS GALLERY - The RSC student art show has always been one of the most interesting and fascinating exhibits held at the college. This semester's student art show is no exception.

Visitors to the gallery, located in Building C on the main RSC campus, will be treated to a many fine works of art by up and coming artists in the community. Admirers of photography, pottery, sculpture, live drawing, 3-dimensional art and abstract art will have no problem finding something they enjoy in this exhibit, which continues through May 15.

Gallery hours are Monday through Thursday, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., Friday 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., and Tuesday and Wednesday, 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

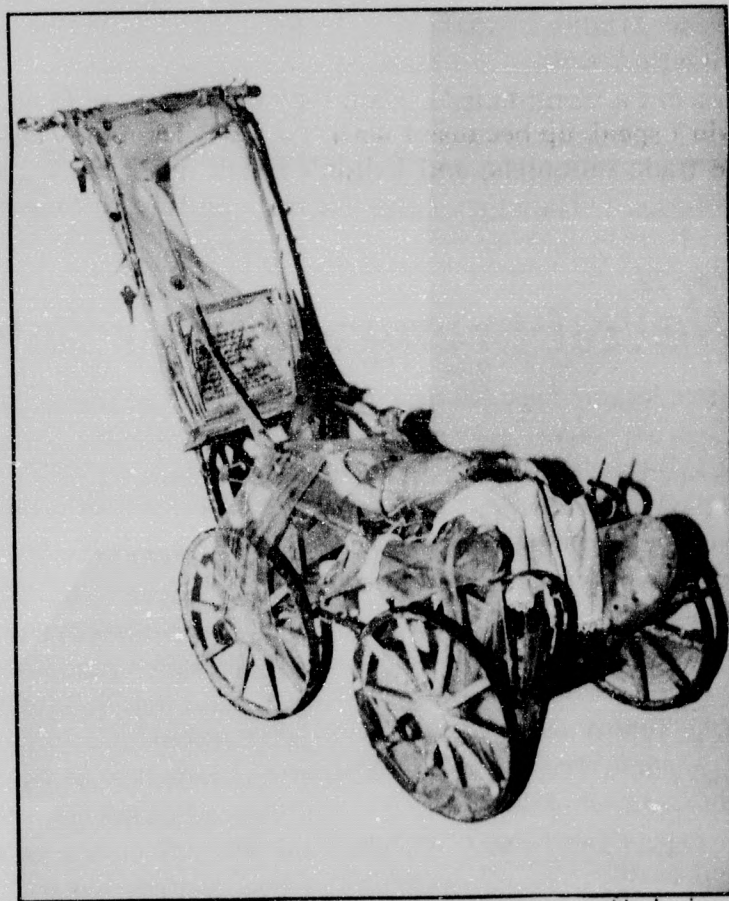
Group tours can be arranged by calling 564-5615.



THREE DIMENSIONAL- Fran Burkes' entry is an inventive self-portrait.



PICTURE THIS-Pat Taketa's charcoal is one of the several live drawings featured in the student art show.



CHILDHOOD MEMORIES- Candice Hendrix's untitled mixed media sculpture is a highlight of the show.

What's up

Fashion Show

RSC students enrolled in modeling, promotion, display, pattern design and clothing construction are sponsoring a fashion show on May 15. Tickets are \$3 at the door. Parking is free. The show will be held at Phillips Hall, located on the main RSC campus. Showtime is 7:30 p.m. For more information call 564-6842.

Meet the Author

Leon Kolankiewicz, author and former Peace Corps volunteer, will be speaking about the vanishing rain forests in Central America. Sponsored by the Sierra Club of Orange County, the informational slide show and lecture will take place at MacArthur School, located at 600 W. Alton in Santa Ana. Lecture will be held on May 12 at 7:30 p.m. For more information call 751-1408.

Street Faire

The City of Fullerton presents its annual Founders' Day Street Faire on May 9. Elephant rides, games, free entertainment, and

food and craft booths will be offered from 10 a.m. until 5 p.m. The festivities will take place on Pomona Avenue in Fullerton between Chapman and Commonwealth Avenues. Admission is free. For more information call 738-6317.

Movie Classics

The Fullerton Museum Center continues its salute to classic films. Genevieve, a 1953 British comedy starring Kenneth Moore and Kay Kendall, will be screened on May 13. The Bride of Frankenstein, starring Boris Karloff, Colin Clive and Elsa Lanchester is scheduled for May 27. Showtimes are at 7:30 p.m. Admission is \$3 for members, \$4 for non-members. Call 738-6317 for more information.

On Stage

The La Mirada Theatre presents The Tin Pan Man, a compilation of more than 20 songs and dance numbers from the golden age of popular music. Through May 17. Call 994-6310 for information.

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Summer movie preview

■ Hollywood hopes big stars and big budgets attract movie going audiences to theaters

HOLLYWOOD - Space crazed aliens. Cops running illegal guns. Revenge and the return of the American western. These are a few of the themes on tap for films coming to your local moviehouse this summer. Continuing a trend begun in recent years, Hollywood is also releasing sequels to films popular in years past including Batman and Lethal Weapon.

What follows is a brief survey of some of the films scheduled to be released this summer. Release dates are subject to change. The summer moviegoing season officially begins on Memorial Day Weekend.

May 15

Getting a jump on the competition is Lethal Weapon 3, sequel to two of the most popular action films in recent years. Danny Glover and Mel Gibson return as LAPD Detectives Roger Murtaugh and Martin Riggs.

This film finds Murtaugh one week shy of retirement. Determined that his partner go out with a bang (so to speak) Riggs gets the two involved in a case of illegal gun-running involving members of the LAPD.

Lethal Weapon 3 also co-stars Joe Pesci, Rene Russo and renowned British Actor Jack Travis. Richard Donner (Lethal Weapon and Lethal Weapon II) directs.

May 22

Alien 3 finds Ripley (Sigourney Weaver) on an orbiting prison space station again battling the vicious alien made famous in Alien and Aliens. This time, however, Ripley must battle the creature without the aid of the advanced technology found in the previous films.

The original Alien and its sequel are two of the best science fiction/horror films ever made. It is hard to imagine how Alien 3 can top either of them.

Far and Away is one of the few adult oriented films scheduled for summer release. It stars Tom Cruise as a poor tenant farmer in 19th century Ireland who becomes the unwilling traveling companion of a wealthy landlord's daughter, played by Nicole Kidman.

The film follows their journey from Ireland to Boston to the great Oklahoma land rush. Ron Howard directs.

June 19

Batman Returns, the sequel to one of the most popular films of the last decade, finds Batman doing battle with not one but two super-villains. Michael Keaton returns as millionaire playboy



Photo Courtesy of Marco Bala & Associates

A DARK KNIGHT - Michael Keaton stars in *Batman Returns*, scheduled for release on June 19.

Bruce Wayne (aka Batman). Joining him are Danny Devito as Batman's arch enemy The Penguin and Michelle Pfeiffer as the evil Catwoman.

Also returning are Pat Hingle as Police Commissioner Gordon and Michael Gough as Alfred, Wayne's trusty butler. Danny Elfman again does the musical score. Tim Burton returns as director.

June 12

Housesitter stars Steve Martin and Goldie Hawn. Martin plays the a jilted architect whose one-night fling with a quirky con-artist (Hawn) leads to what the press release refers to as "seem-

ingly endless comic circumstances." Directed by Frank Oz (Little Shop of Horrors).

June 25

Patriot Games is Hollywood's second adaptation of a Tom Clancey novel. The film continues the adventures of Alec Baldwin's character in The Hunt For Red October. This time around, however, Baldwin has been replaced by Harrison Ford. Two additional films based on Clancey's novels, all starring Harrison Ford, are planned.

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Looters is a film sure to cause controversy. Bill Paxton, Ice T, William Sadler and Ice Cube star

between the two age-obsessed women he loves. One, an author, is played by Goldie Hawn. The other, his wife, is played by Meryl Streep.

Unforgiven marks the return of the American western to Hollywood. Clint Eastwood produces, directs and stars in this tale of early frontier justice. Eastwood plays a widowed farmer and reformed outlaw who is asked to lead a vigilante group determined to avenge a woman's death.

The film co-stars Morgan Freeman as Eastwood's former partner and Gene Hackman as the corrupt local sheriff. (What other type of sheriff is there in a good western?).

The following films have no definite release date but are scheduled to be released some time this summer.

Raising Cain stars John Lithgow, Lolita Davidoch and Steven Bauer. In this suspense film Lithgow plays a Dr. Carter Nix, a child psychologist, who kidnaps his own daughter and then frames his ex-wife's lover for the crime. Directed by Brian De Palma (Carrie, Body Double).

Prelude to a Kiss is a story examining true and unconditional love. Alec Baldwin and Meg Ryan play a young couple whose wedding is disputed by an uninvited guest (Sydney Walker). Their love is put to the test when Ryan's soul is transposed with Walker's after he kisses her at the wedding.

Rapid Fire is an action/adventure film starring Brandon Lee, Powers Boothe and Nick Mancuso. Lee, son of legendary martial arts champion Bruce Lee, plays Jake Lo. Lee's character goes from unwilling witness to hero while helping Chicago cop Mace Ryan (Boothe) break up a major heroin cartel.

These are just some of the films scheduled to open at the box-office this summer. As for which ones will become blockbusters and which ones will flop that is up to you, the moviegoing public, to decide.

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IT'S A FACT

In 1988 Bob Hamelin hit 31 home runs and drove in 107 to set all-time RSC single-season records in both categories. This year the entire Dons team has hit only 21 round trippers, while Derek Brown leads in RBIs with 26.

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SPORTS WIRE

Fontana, Goldstein, Swanwick sign letters of intent

RSC pitchers Mike Fontana and David Goldstein have announced they will attend Long Beach State next season. Fontana, a sophomore transfer from Arizona State, is 11-0 with a 1.55 ERA for the OEC champion Dons and is just two wins shy of tying the all-time RSC record for most wins in a season set by Mike Schwabe in 1986. He is a leading candidate for conference MVP honors.

Goldstein (4-6, 4.27), has been erratic this year after posting a 7-1 mark with a 3.50 ERA as a freshman. However, he has struck out 90 in 78 innings, the best strikeout ratio of any pitcher in the OEC. Earlier this season, he struck out 15 in seven innings against Mt. San Jacinto.

Rick Swanwick, a 6-10 sophomore center from Trabuco Hills and UC Irvine who helped RSC win its third consecutive OEC basketball title this year, announced plans to attend Eastern Washington in Cheney, Wash. Swanwick averaged 11 points and 6.5 rebounds for the 23-10 Dons.

Deni Christensen to coach girls' basketball at El Toro

Deni Christensen, who was unable to find enough players to field a women's basketball team at RSC last fall, has been hired as girls' basketball coach at El Toro High School. Christensen, who played at Cal State Fullerton and coached at El Toro prior to coming here, replaces Ricardo Brown, who resigned due to a scheduling conflict with his teaching job at Santiago High School.

RSC third in OEC golf, Harrison wins individual title

RSC finished third in the Orange Empire Conference golf finals played April 27 at the Singing Hills Country Club in El Cajon. Saddleback won the team title with 769, Orange Coast was second at 776, while the Dons finished just two shots further back at 778. Rancho's Roger Harrison shot 76-70 for a 36-hole total of 146 to win the individual title by four strokes over Kango Takahashi of Fullerton. Despite the strong showing, the Dons failed to qualify for this week's Southern California finals at La Purisima Golf Course in Lompoc.

Men fifth, women eighth in OEC swimming championships

The RSC men finished fifth behind eventual state champion Orange Coast, Grossmont, Saddleback and San Diego Mesa in the Orange Empire Conference swimming championships held April 23-25 at Saddleback. Team totals: 1. OCC 893; 2. Grossmont 577; 3. Sadd 418; 4. SD Mesa 417; 5. RSC 317; 6. Palomar 265; 7. Riverside 244; 8. Cypress 204.

In the women's competition, RSC finished a distant last with just 4 points. The totals: 1. OCC 652; 2. SD Mesa 560; 3. Riv 458; 4. Sadd 377; 5. Palomar 336; 6. Cyp 332; 7. Grossmont 246; 8. RSC 4.

Dons make it three in a row

Men's Baseball team begins regional play today, face Palomar in opening series



STEEEEEERRRIIKE! - David Goldstein gets ready to fire another fastball in Riverside game. Don hurler averaged 1.2 strikeouts per inning in '92.

By Ev Phillips
el Don Sports Editor

Rancho Santiago clinched its third straight Orange Empire Conference baseball title April 28 with an 11-4 win over Saddleback at the RSC diamond.

Sophomore catcher Robin Lindsey led a 14-hit Don attack with four safeties including a pair of doubles and two runs batted in to help unbeaten Mike Fontana run his record to 11-0.

Two days later, the Dons crushed Orange Coast 15-4 as J.J. Thobe won his eighth game of the year against three losses. Lindsey, Steve Thobe, Derek Brown and David Gonzalez all hit home runs as RSC collected 16 more hits.

In the conference season finale Saturday at Riverside, the host Tigers overcame a three-run deficit to edge the Dons 4-3. Scott Wulfin'g's RBI double in the seventh inning drove in the winning run. Andy Wise (1-2) took the loss in relief of starter David Goldstein.

"Once again we won a conference championship in a league that was very competitive from top to bottom, so that's a fine accomplishment for this team," said head coach Don Sneddon. "But the playoffs are a different part of the season and we need to be physically and mentally ready to play each time out."

The Dons (26-12), Riverside (26-13) and Fullerton (19-17-1) will represent the

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THE LAST WORD - Head coach Don Sneddon takes some parting shots following near-brawl in season finale at Riverside. RSC lost 4-3.

From The Front Row... By Ev Phillips

The good, the bad, the ugly: we had it all in '92

Don Sneddon knew it wasn't going to be easy for his RSC baseball team this season. Now in his 11th year at the helm, coach Sneddon predicted that the team that won the tough Orange Empire Conference would lose seven games. He guessed exactly right. The Dons finished 17-7 but won the OEC title for the third consecutive year. Going into the playoffs, the Dons have it all: pitching, hitting and defense. This could be their year.

Dana Pagett knew it wasn't going to be easy for his two-time defending state basketball champions either. He too was right.

Stewart rounded up a band of relative midgets to compete against the conference giants with predictable results: a 1-16 record.

Lacking dominant players like Alonzo Jamison, Cory Blount and Erik Martin that had carried the Dons to a 67-5 record the two previous years, Pagett put together a scrappy team featuring a three-guard offense that bombed away from outside and kept fans on the edge of their seats all season long. Who

can ever forget that last game against eventual state champion Cerritos in the regional finals when Ruben Oronoz shot the lights out in the second half to spark a 16-0 run that brought the Dons back from oblivion and almost into the state tournament? The threepeat wasn't to be, but man, it was fun to watch.

Kim Nutter inherited a once-proud softball program that hit rock bottom in 1991 with a 3-19 conference record and nowhere to go but up. Nutter demanded hard work from her players and got it. Once they saw

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Late losses end Lady Dons playoff hopes

■ Close games, lost opportunities spoil '92 comeback bid

By Ricky Robinson
el Don Staff Writer

SANTA ANA - RSC's softball season came to an end April 29 when the host Lady Dons lost 1-0 in eight innings to Orange Empire Conference champion Orange Coast College.

RSC (19-19, 11-10) had an opportunity to score in the first inning when OCC committed three consecutive errors to load the bases. But a double play and a ground out ended the Lady Dons' rally. The Lady Pirates scored the winning run in the top of the eighth on a two-out single by Sam Lutsch. Losing pitcher Celeste Gordon (9-11) gave up only four hits.

The loss forced the Lady Dons out of the playoff race. It also gave OCC (30-9, 18-3) its first-ever

conference championship.

Although Rancho ended the season with a loss, they improved from a tie for sixth in 1991 to third this year. Overall, they improved from 9-20 to 19-19.

"It's disappointing the way our season ended, but we can't consider this year a failure at all. We've made great strides and we have most of our team returning next season. This is a big step in building this program into a consistent winner," said head coach Kim Nutter.

Three Lady Dons were named to the All-Conference team. Freshman infielder Shannon O'Rourke and sophomore outfielder Tina Trujillo made the first team. O'Rourke hit a consistent .245 and committed only five errors in 202 chances. Trujillo was among the conference batting leaders all year and finished with a .340 average and scored 16 runs. Celeste Gordon, RSC's all-time career strikeout leader with 173, was named to the second team for the second year in a row.



Eric Campbell / el Don Photo

C'MON UMP - Lady Dons' head coach Kim Nutter argues call to no avail in early-season game. Nutter led RSC to big turnaround in '92.

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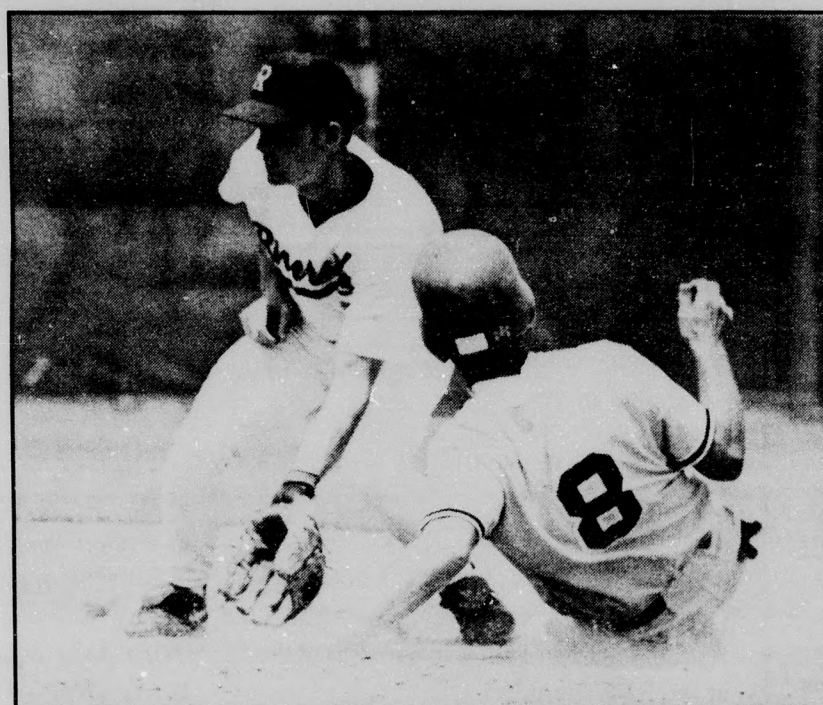
Teaching her players how to win the close ones remains coach Nutter's greatest challenge. But they've come a long way, baby. Just wait 'til next year.

that they could compete with anyone, the Lady Dons began to improve. The result? An 11-10 record which could easily have been much better given the fact that six of those losses were by one run. Teaching her players how to win the close ones remains coach Nutter's greatest challenge. But they've come a long way, baby. Just wait 'til next year.

Lance Stewart knew he had the toughest job of all: starting a men's volleyball program from scratch in a conference generally regarded as one of the best in the country. Arriving too late to do any recruiting, Stewart rounded up a band of relative midgets to compete against the conference giants with predictable results: a 1-16 record. But don't let that fool you; this team played tough. Stewart, well-known in the Orange County volleyball community, should be able to find a couple of middle blockers during the off-season. He figures that's all he needs to make the Dons contenders next year.

It's stories like these - some about winning and some about losing, but all of them about people trying to be the best they can be - that make this job so much fun.

That's why I plan to come back for more when the football season kicks off in September. I want to see if Dave Ogas can turn things around after going 2-8 last year. If I know Dave, his guys will be up to the challenge.



Eric Campbell / el Don Photo

STOLEN BASE - RSC's David Gonzalez steals second in Riverside game Saturday. Gonzalez leads Dons with .402 batting average.

BASEBALL:

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OEC in the regional playoffs starting today. RSC, seeded No. 4 in the 16-team field, will host No. 13 Palomar here at 2 p.m. The second game will be played here at 11 a.m. Saturday. A third game, if necessary, will follow 30 minutes later.

The full schedule:

Palomar (21-15-1) at

Rancho Santiago

Riverside at San Diego City (23-11)

Fullerton at Los Angeles Harbor (33-9)

San Bernardino Valley (21-16) at Los Angeles Pierce (28-6-1)

Cuesta (20-14) at Cerritos (27-8-1)

San Diego Mesa (20-17) at Mt. San Antonio (27-14)

Ventura (21-14) at Citrus (30-8)

East Los Angeles (26-13) at Long Beach (26-13-1)

The eight winners this weekend advance to a pair of four-team regionals May 15-17 at sites to be determined. The winner of each regional will qualify for the state tournament May 23-25 at the Riverside Sports Complex.



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